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TO
THE RIGHT REVEREND
THOMAS LORD BISHOP OF ST. DAVID'S.

MY LORD,—What apology can I offer to your Lordship for my boldness in thus prefixing your name to the Third Volume of my humble work? I am fully sensible, that to a person of your Lordship's distinction in the field of literature the CAMBRO-BRITON can present no attractions: to a mere literary character it never aspired. But, as being especially devoted to the support of that cause, in which your Lordship's services and example have been conspicuous, the work may not be entirely unworthy of your notice, I will not add—of your patronage.

The first volume of the CAMBRO BRITON was inscribed to the President of the Metropolitan Institution, formed for the cultivation of Welsh literature; and the second to the most distinguished Welsh scholar of the present age, or, perhaps, of any preceding one. Upon the same principle, I take the freedom of dedicating this Third Volume to your Lordship, as having, in an eminent degree, contributed to the national spirit, which at present pervades your adopted country; for it can never be forgotten, that your Lordship's name holds the first place amongst those of the patriotic individuals, who establish-

ed the CAMBRIAN SOCIETY IN DYVED. And thus, my Lord, it has been your peculiar praise—if I may be allowed to say so without presumption—to open in the rock that living fountain, from which the waters of patriotism have since extended their fertility over the land.

But, it is not merely for literary benefits that Wales is indebted to your Lordship: your promotion of her moral and religious interests, in the exemplary discharge of your high functions, more peculiarly entitles you to her liveliest gratitude, and will, assuredly, be felt by posterity. *Quatenus nobis denegatur diu vivere*, says a celebrated Roman writer, *relinquamus aliquid, quo nos virisse testemur*. This enviable lot—it is no flattery to say—your Lordship has amply and honourably secured.

For myself, (if I may be allowed to descend, for a moment, to so humble a theme), I shall ever retain the proud consolation of knowing, that the CAMBRO BRITON has been, in some degree, instrumental in effecting the purpose I at first contemplated. And, whatever fate may attend my exertions, if they should but possess your Lordship's approbation, I shall not be wholly without my reward.

I have the honour to be,

MY LORD,

With the truest feelings of respect,

Your Lordship's very obedient humble Servant,

THE EDITOR.

London, May 29th, 1822.